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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Opinion Request: S & T Bilateral- Scientific Information

Attached is self-explanatory material. May we have your opinion  
by 21 Mar 75.

Please indicate to us the degree of interest and whether requirements  
will be levied.

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Office of Science Information Service

February 20, 1975

Eng. N. B. Arutyunov  
State Committee for Science and Technology  
Council of Minister U.S.S.R.  
ul. Gorky, 11  
103009 Moscow, K-9  
U.S.S.R.

Dear Mr. Arutyunov:

I wish to inform you of the progress that the U.S. Research Groups have made since I last wrote to you on November 26, 1974.

(1) Research Group on a Common Communications Format

- (a) The following five organizations will participate in the project:
- (1) Library of Congress,
  - (2) Chemical Abstracts Service,
  - (3) National Technical Information Service,
  - (4) Atomic Energy Commission (recently reorganized and renamed as the Energy Research and Development Administration), and
  - (5) The Council on Library Resources, Inc.
- (b) A sample computer tape, consisting of at least 1,000 book records in the MARC format, will be shipped in the next two weeks to Dr. Artamonov together with full documentation, a list of corporate authors and sets of data elements and systems for identifying them.
- (c) The Soviet instruction manual on Format For Machine Input of Bibliographic Records has been translated and is being edited. It will be reproduced in 100 copies for distribution to participating U.S. and U.S.S.R. organizations in accordance with our agreement.

(d) Mr. Thomas Hughes, the U.S. Coordinator, has informed Dr. Artamonov of the above by his letter of January 10 (copy enclosed).

(e) The U.S. group is now waiting to hear from the Soviet group, otherwise the project is proceeding close to the schedule we agreed on.

(2) Research Group on Costs and Benefits.

(a) The following U.S. specialists have agreed to prepare papers for the symposium on costs and benefits of information, which we agreed to hold in the U.S.S.R. during the week of June 16, 1975:

Professor Edwin Mansfield  
Department of Economics  
University of Pennsylvania

Professor William Baumol  
Department of Economics  
New York University

Professor Sanford Berg  
Department of Economics  
University of Florida

Professor Lester B. Lave  
Department of Economics  
Carnegie-Mellon University

Professor Zvi Griliches  
Department of Economics  
Harvard University

Dr. Robert D. Willig  
Bell Laboratories

(b) The title and abstracts of the papers have been conveyed by Professor Mansfield to Dr. Malov together with a dictionary of economic terms for the classification and definition of economic concepts (copy enclosed).

(c) We are waiting word from the Soviet group on the specialists who will be preparing papers, the title and abstracts of these papers, and a dictionary or glossary of economic terms which the Soviet specialists consider to be appropriate to the cost/benefit field.

(d) While in Europe recently, I talked with Adam Wysocki. He indicated that he wants both you and me on the UNESCO study group and that it would likely meet during the week of June 16. If so, this would conflict with our date for the cost/benefit seminar and will raise serious scheduling problems for U.S. participants. To ensure participation by all those already committed, I suggest we either: (1) keep the present dates and you and I not attend the seminar; or (2) hold the seminar on June 13, 14 and 15. In either case we suggest holding the seminar in either Leningrad or Moscow in order to expedite travel and save time. May I hear soon from you on the question of dates and location for the June seminar.

(3) Research Group on Forecasting

- (a) Ten U.S. specialists have tentatively agreed to prepare papers for the symposium on forecasting of information requirements and services. The names of the authors are identified in the enclosed letter to Prof. Dr. A. I. Mikhailov.
- (b) Prof. Derek Price has offered the facilities of Yale University for the symposium which is to be held October 20-23. Immediately following the symposium, we can plan to hold the second meeting of the U.S./U.S.S.R. Joint Working Group on Scientific and Technical Information at Yale University on Friday, October 24.
- (c) Seven documents which may serve as useful references for the Soviet specialists have been sent to Prof. Dr. Mikhailov via the Science Counselor at the American Embassy in Moscow. We are waiting to hear from the Soviet group concerning the names of the Soviet specialists who will be preparing papers for the symposium. We also are waiting to receive appropriate reports on Soviet work on forecasting that would be useful to the U.S. specialists in preparing their papers.
- (d) The American Society for Information Science begins its annual meeting on Sunday, October 26 in Boston and the Soviet specialists will be invited to participate in this meeting which lasts till October 30th. I have been assured that Soviet speakers will be able to present papers. However, it would help to receive names of speakers and titles of papers as soon as possible.

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Copies of letters and materials which the U.S. groups have sent to their Soviet colleagues are enclosed for your use.

I look forward to our continued cooperation.

My very best regards.

Sincerely,

  
Lee G. Burchinal  
Head

Enclosures

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1. (U) As requested in the above opinion request, the following comments are forwarded:

a. (C) Positive intelligence opinion: It is anticipated that Navy would levy no requirements and would have no interest in this subject.

b. (C) Security opinion: The Navy Member has no objection to this visit provided there is no access; visual, documentary or verbal, to production, research or other activities funded by Navy contracts or grants, whether classified or unclassified.

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Navy Member, Ad Hoc Intelligence  
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